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COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION MEETING

No meeting in December

Happy Holidays!

L.B.P.D. Update with Chief Anthony W. Batts
Tuesday, January 29, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

At the

Long Beach Water Treatment Plant
2950 Redondo Ave
(South of Spring Street)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| December 1, 2007 | Belmont Shore Christmas Parade
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. |
| December 8, 2007 | Daisy Lane Parade
(Daisy and Willow) |
| December 15, 2007 | Naples Holiday Boat Parade
starts at 5:00 p.m. |

From all of us at L.B.P.D.

The Long Beach Police Department wishes you and your family the very best throughout this holiday season. Thank you for your continuing support and assistance in helping to keep our neighborhoods a safer place to live and work.



Building Partnerships to Prevent Crime Through Information and Education

All future newsletters will be mailed electronically. Please provide your e-mail address to PSS Diane Scarritt at: diane_scarritt@longbeach.gov. Those of you who do not wish to have your Crime Watch Newsletter e-mailed to you, please call Community Relations at (562) 570-7215 to update your address information.



Long Beach Police Department's Toy Patrol

Donations are now being accepted for 2007. We are in need of new toys for children of all ages. Contact program coordinator Harry Erickson, at (562) 570-7448.

Cash donations are also being accepted and should be made payable to the "LBPD Toy Patrol" and mailed to:

Long Beach Police Department
Community Relations/Toy Patrol
400 West Broadway
Long Beach, CA 90802



Thank You!



Long Beach Police Foundation



The Long Beach Police Foundation (LBPF) will champion community support for the professional men and women who fulfill the public safety mission of the Long Beach Police Department.

LBPF is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt non-profit foundation. Utilizing the generous contributions received will enhance the LBPD efforts in three vital areas:

- * Community Partnerships - Programs that enhance the community relationship with the LBPD
- * Employee Development - Education, communication, team development and employee recognition
- * Police Service Enhancements - Technology, training and equipment

Visit our new site at:
www.lbpolicefoundation.org



National Drunk & Drugged Driving Prevention Month

National Highway Traffic Safety Association's primary message during the December holiday season is "**Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk!**" Designate a sober driver. Communities will be increasing enforcement of impaired driving laws through sobriety checkpoints or saturation patrols. The National Drunk & Drugged Driving Association has provided tools to support the "You Drink and Drive; You Lose" message.



Holiday Safety Tips...Don't Be An Easy Target!

The holiday season is upon us once again. The Long Beach Police Department would like everyone to take extra precautions while out shopping and also around your home or business during this festive time of year. ***Suspicious activity should always be reported immediately, whether you are at home or away.*** Below you will find a few simple tips to follow that may prevent you from becoming a victim:

While shopping:

- " Place all gifts and packages in your trunk or out of sight
- " Always be aware of your surroundings and walk with confidence
- " Park in well-lighted areas
- " Avoid shopping alone; there is safety in numbers
- " Try to use credit or debit cards for purchases to avoid carrying large amounts of cash
- " Keep your car doors locked and windows closed
- " If you carry a purse or bag, carry it close to your body
- " Have your car key in your hand prior to getting to your vehicle
- " Always report suspicious activity immediately to on-site security or the police department

Suggestions in and around your home:

- " Keep gifts away from windows
- " Install motion sensor lighting in a location where it cannot be easily tampered with
- " Keep bushes and shrubbery trimmed down and thinned out to eliminate places for thieves to hide
- " If traveling, postpone your mail and newspaper deliveries so your home doesn't look deserted
- " Do not store gifts in vehicles or unsecured areas
- " Always report suspicious activity immediately

If you operate a business, some of these tips may be helpful:

- " Lock unused doors as long as you are not in violation of the Fire Code
- " Keep only necessary cash in the register and vary the schedule and route for your bank deposits
- " Make sure your cash register is clearly visible to passers-by
- " Advertise your security alarm system with signs in visible locations
- " Develop a mutual aid system with business near by.

If you have any questions or need additional safety information, please contact the Long Beach Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at (562) 570-7215.



GOLD SHIELD AWARDS**Neighborhood Watch Advisory Group Nomination Form**

The Police Department and the Chief's Neighborhood Watch Advisory Group would like to recognize individuals and groups who, as participants in the Neighborhood Watch Program, have contributed to the improvement of their neighborhood. Recognition should be given for:

- Significant accomplishments at the block or community level
- Significant neighborhood improvements
- Improvements within the Neighborhood Watch Program
- Significant efforts in supporting the Neighborhood Watch Program

NOMINEE (Individual or Group)

Group (If group nomination): _____

Name (Block Captain if group nomination): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Briefly describe the nominee's contribution(s) to the Neighborhood Watch Program. (Use additional pages if necessary). _____

How did you become aware of the nominee's contribution(s)? _____

NOMINATOR:

Name _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

Please submit your completed nomination form to the Community Relations Division by Friday, February 1, 2008.



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